### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH DIVISION

SHANNON MILBURN,	§		
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Plaintiff,	<b>§</b>		
<b>v.</b>	§	CIV. ACTION NO.	
	§		
BRAUM'S, INC.,	§		
	§		
Defendant.	§		

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from which the Action is		
removed		

Respectfully submitted,

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### LIST OF ALL PARTIES IN THE ACTION AND STATUS OF REMOVED CASE

The following is a complete list of all parties in the civil action titled *Shannon Milburn v. Braum's, Inc.*, Cause No. 141-325957-21, which was commenced in the 141<sup>st</sup> District Court of Tarrant County, Texas (the "Action") and is being removed to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division:

Name of Party	Party Type	
Shannon Milburn	Plaintiff	
Braum's, Inc.	Defendant	

The removed Action is currently pending.

This 22nd day of July, 2021.

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CIVIL COVER SHEET

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. (a) PLAINTIFFS	DEFENDANTS					
Shannon Milburn	Braum's, Inc.					
(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Tarrant County. Texas (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)  (c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)	County of Residence of First Listed Defendant Oklahoma City, Oklahoma (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)  NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.  Attorneys (If Known)					
I. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)	III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff					
1 U.S. Government 3 Federal Question Plaintiff (U.S. Government Not a Party)	(For Diversity Cases Only)  PTF DEF  Citizen of This State  X 1					
2 U.S. Government  Defendant     X   4   Diversity  (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)	Citizen of Another State 2 2 Incorporated and Principal Place 5 5 5 of Business In Another State					
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V. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Bax Only)	Click here for: Nature of Suit Code Descriptions.					
CONTRACT TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY BANKRUPTCY OTHER STATUTES					
110 Insurance   PERSONAL INJURY   365 Personal Injury   130 Miller Act   315 Airplane Product   Liability   367 Health Care/   320 Assault, Libel & Slander   Slander   Slander   Personal Injury   Personal Injury   Personal Injury   Personal Injury   Product Liability   368 Asbestos Personal Injury   Product Liability   Personal Injury   Product Liability   Personal Injury   Product Liability   Personal Injury   Product Liability   Personal Injury   Personal Injury   Product Liability   Personal Injury   Personal Injury   Personal Injury   Personal   Personal Injury   Personal	A22 Appeal 28 USC 158   375 False Claims Act   3729(a)   375 False Claims Act   3729(a)   375 False Claims Act   3729(a)   400 State Reapportionment   410 Antitrust   430 Banks and Banking   450 Commerce   460 Deportation   470 Racketeer Influenced and   Act   A					
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Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity):  28 U.S.C. Section 1332, 28 U.S.C. Sections 1441(a)-(b), and 28 U.S.C. Section 1446  Brief description of cause:  Removal, based on 28 U.S.C. Section 1332, of a civil action brought in State court for personal injury						
VII. REQUESTED IN CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTIO UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P.	N DEMAND \$ CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:  JURY DEMAND:   Yes  No					
VIII. RELATED CASE(S)  IF ANY  (See instructions):  JUDGE see att	achment-Judge John P. Chupp DOCKET NUMBER 141-325957-21					
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### INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRINCIPLE SUPERIOR PRINCIPLE PRINCIPLE

#### **Authority For Civil Cover Sheet**

The JS 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replaces nor supplements the filings and service of pleading or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. Consequently, a civil cover sheet is submitted to the Clerk of Court for each civil complaint filed. The attorney filing a case should complete the form as follows:

- I.(a) Plaintiffs-Defendants. Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
  - (b) County of Residence. For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
- (c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".
- II. Jurisdiction. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.Cv.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.

  United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here. United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box. Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.

  Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)
- III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties. This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- IV. Nature of Suit. Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If there are multiple nature of suit codes associated with the case, pick the nature of suit code that is most applicable. Click here for: Nature of Suit Code Descriptions.
- V. Origin. Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.
  - Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441.

Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.

Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date. Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.

Multidistrict Litigation - Transfer. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407.

Multidistrict Litigation – Direct File. (8) Check this box when a multidistrict case is filed in the same district as the Master MDL docket.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NOT AN ORIGIN CODE 7. Origin Code 7 was used for historical records and is no longer relevant due to changes in statue.

- VI. Cause of Action. Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity. Example: U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553 Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service.
- VII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P. Demand. In this space enter the actual dollar amount being demanded or indicate other demand, such as a preliminary injunction. Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.
- VIII. Related Cases. This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related cases, if any. If a related case exists, whether pending or closed, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases. A case is related to this filing if the case: 1) involves some or all of the same parties and is based on the same or similar claim; 2) involves the same property, transaction, or event; 3) involves substantially similar issues of law and fact; and/or 4) involves the same estate in a bankruptcy appeal.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.

### ATTACHMENT TO CIVIL COVER SHEET

# Section I(c). Attorneys

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# Section II. Citizenzhip of Principal Parties

Party Name	Party Type	Citizen of This State	Citizen of Another State	Incorporated and Prinicpal Place of Business In Another State
Shannon Milburn	Plaintiff	Yes		

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Braum's, Inc.	Defendant	No	Yes	Yes	

### Section III. Related Case(s) If Any

Judge	Docket Number	Court	Plaintiff	Defendant
Hon. John P. Chupp	141-325957-21	141st District Court of Tarrant County, Texas	Shannon Milburn	Braum's, Inc.

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Dated: July 22, 2021.

Civil Case and Transaction Information

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Cause Number: 141-325957-21 Date Filed: 06-18-2021

SHANNON MILBURN | VS | BRAUM'S, INC.

Cause of Action: INJURY OR DAMAGE, PREMISES

Case Status : PENDING
File Mark Description

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06-18-2021	LTR REQ CIT (EMAIL) (SENT TO DOC PROD EM)				\$0.00
06-18-2021	CIT-ISSUED ON BRAUM'S INC-On 06/21/2021	POF	N <u>Svc</u>	\$8.00	
06-18-2021	PAYMENT RECEIVED trans #4		Y		\$8.00
06-18-2021	JURY FEE		N	\$40.00	
06-18-2021	PAYMENT RECEIVED trans #6		Y		<u>\$40.00</u>
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SHANNON MILBURN	§	IN THE DISTRICT COURT
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v.	§	JUDICIAL DISTRICT
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BRAUM'S, INC.	§	TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS

### PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION

Plaintiff Shannon Milburn ("Plaintiff") files this Original Petition complaining of Defendant Braum's, Inc. ("Defendant") and for cause of action states the following:

#### DISCOVERY CONTROL PLAN

1. Pursuant to Rules 190.1 and 190.3 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff states that discovery in this cause is intended to be conducted under Level 3.

#### JURY DEMAND

Pursuant to Rules 216 and 217 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff requests a
jury trial of this matter. Accordingly, Plaintiff tenders the proper jury fee with the filing
of Plaintiff's Original Petition.

#### **PARTIES**

- 3. Plaintiff Shannon Milburn is an individual residing in Tarrant County, Texas.
- Defendant Braum's, Inc. is an incorporated entity and may be served through its registered agent CT Corporation System at 1999 Bryan Street, Suite 900, Dallas, Texas 75201.

#### ASSUMED NAMES

5. Pursuant to TEX. R. CIV. P. 28, Plaintiff hereby gives Defendant Braum's, Inc. notice that it is being sued in all of its business, common, trade, or assumed names regardless of

whether such businesses are partnerships, unincorporated associations, individuals, entities, and/or private corporations. Plaintiff hereby demands that upon answering this suit, Defendant Braum's, Inc. answer in its correct legal name(s) and assumed name(s).

#### VENUE AND JURISDICTION

6. Venue is proper in this Court by virtue of Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code §15.002(a). Furthermore, this Court has jurisdiction in that the damages being sought are within the jurisdictional limits of this Court.

#### **FACTS**

- 7. This lawsuit is based on an incident occurring on or about January 16, 2020 inside Braum's Store #200 located at 309 N. Main Street, Euless, Texas 76039 (hereinafter referred to as "The Premises").
- 8. At the time of the incident, Defendant Braum's, Inc. was the owner and/or possessor of The Premises.
- 9. At the time of the incident, Plaintiff was lawfully on The Premises as an invitee. Defendant Braum's, Inc. owed a duty to protect Plaintiff from the condition made the basis of this lawsuit (herein referred to as "The Incident").
- 10. At the time of The Incident, Plaintiff was inside of The Premises and slipped on spilled liquid on the floor. Plaintiff suffered serious injuries to her left knee and right elbow.
- 11. The Incident was proximately caused by the existence of a condition on The Premises that was unreasonably dangerous and constituted an unreasonable risk of harm.
- 12. Defendant knew or should have known of the danger such condition posed.
- 13. The Incident was proximately caused by the negligence of Defendant.

#### **CAUSES OF ACTION**

### **Negligence and Premises Liability**

- 14. At the time of the Incident, Defendant was the owner and/or possessor of The Premises.
- 15. Plaintiff was an invitee of Defendant. Defendant owed Plaintiff a duty to protect her from the condition made the basis of this suit.
- 16. At the time of The Incident, Plaintiff was on The Premises of Defendant when she slipped and fell due to spilled liquid on the floor. This condition posed an unreasonable risk of harm. Defendant knew or should have known about this unreasonable risk of harm. Defendant created and/or failed to timely and appropriately remedy the hazard which caused Plaintiff's fall and injuries.
- 17. On the occasion in question, Defendant acting through its agents, servants, and/or employees who were at all times acting within the course and scope of their employment committed acts and/or omissions that constituted negligence which proximately caused the incident in question; to wit:
  - a. In failing to maintain the premises in question in a reasonably safe condition and free of hazards to Plaintiff and other invitees entering the premises;
  - b. In failing to correct the unreasonably dangerous condition which was created by the condition of the premises in question;
  - c. In failing to warn invitees, including the Plaintiff of the dangerous condition of the premises in question;
  - d. In failing to properly inspect the premises in question to discover the unreasonably dangerous condition created by the condition in question;
  - e. In failing to properly train its agents, servants, and/or employees regarding the proper manner in which to make the premises reasonably safe;
  - f. In failing to implement proper policies, rules, and/or procedures to make its premises reasonably safe; and
  - g. In failing to enforce proper policies, rules, and/or procedures to make its premises reasonably safe.

18. Each of the foregoing acts or omissions, singularly or in combination with others, constituted negligence, which proximately caused The Incident and Plaintiff's injuries and damages.

#### PERSONAL INJURIES AND DAMAGES

- 19. As a result of Defendant's negligent actions, Shannon Milburn suffered personal injuries.Consequently, Shannon Milburn seeks recovery of the following damages:
  - a. <u>Medical Expenses:</u> Shannon Milburn incurred bodily injuries which were caused by The Incident and Shannon Milburn incurred medical expenses for treatment of such injuries. Shannon Milburn believes that, in reasonable medical probability such injuries will require the need for future medical care.
  - b. <u>Physical Pain</u>: Shannon Milburn endured physical pain as a result of the personal injuries sustained in The Incident and reasonably anticipates such pain will continue in the future.
  - c. <u>Mental Anguish</u>: Shannon Milburn endured mental anguish as a result of the personal injuries sustained in The Incident and reasonably anticipates such mental anguish will continue in the future.
  - d. <u>Disfigurement</u>: Shannon Milburn endured disfigurement as a result of the personal injuries sustained in The Incident and reasonably anticipates such will continue in the future.
  - e. <u>Impairment</u>: Shannon Milburn endured physical impairment as a result of the personal injuries sustained in The Incident and reasonably anticipates such in the future.
  - f. Loss of Earning Capacity: Shannon Milburn lost wages as a result of the personal injuries sustained in The Incident. Shannon Milburn reasonably believes that such injuries will diminish Plaintiff's earning capacity in the future.

#### AGGRAVATION

20. In the alternative, if it be shown that the Plaintiff suffered from any pre-existing injury, disease and/or condition at the time of the incident made the basis of the lawsuit, then such

injury, disease and/or condition was aggravated and/or exacerbated by the negligence of the Defendant.

#### U.S. LIFE TABLES

21. Notice is hereby given to the Defendant that Plaintiff intends to use the U. S. Life Tables as published by the Department of Health and Human Services - National Vital Statistics Report in the trial of this matter. Plaintiff requests that this Honorable Court take judicial notice of those rules, regulations, and statutes of the United States and the State of Texas, pursuant to Texas Rule of Evidence 201 and 1005.

#### RELIEF SOUGHT

- 22. Pursuant to Texas Rules of Civil Procedure 193.7, notice is hereby given of the intention to use any of the documents exchanged and/or produced between any party during the trial of this case. All conditions precedent to Plaintiff's right to recover the relief sought herein have occurred or have been performed.
- 23. As required by Rule 47(b), Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff states that the damages sought are in an amount within the jurisdictional limits of this Court. As required by Rule 47(c), Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff states that Plaintiff seeks monetary relief in excess of \$250,000, but less than \$1,000,000. As discovery takes place and testimony is given, Plaintiff will be in a better position to give the maximum amount of damages sought.
- 24. Plaintiff requests that Defendant be cited to appear and answer, and that this case be tried after which Plaintiff recover:
  - a. Judgment against Defendant for a sum within the jurisdictional limits of this Court for the damages set forth herein;
  - b. Pre-judgment interest at the maximum amount allowed by law;

- c. Post-judgment interest at the maximum rate allowed by law;
- d. Costs of suit; and
- e. Such other and further relief to which Plaintiff may be justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

REYES | BROWNE | REILLEY

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# THE STATE OF TEXAS DISTRICT COURT, TARRANT COUNTY

#### CITATION

Cause No. 141-325957-21

### SHANNON MILBURN

BRAUM'S, INC.

TO: BRAUM'S INC

B/S REG AGT-CT CORPORATION SYSTEM 1999 BRYAN ST STE 900 DALLAS, TX 75201-

You said DEFENDANT are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days after the date of scrvice hercof before the 141st District Court ,100 N CALHOUN, in and for Tarrant County, Texas, at the Courthouse in the City of Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas said PLAINTIFF being SHANNON MILBURN Filed in said Court on June 18th, 2021 Against For suit, said suit being numbered 141-325957-21 the nature of which demand is as shown on said PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION a copy of which accompanies this citation. 1 TIMOTHY R REILLEY Attorney for SHANNON MILBURN Phone No. (214)526-7900 Address 8222 DOUGLAS AVE STE 400 DALLAS, TX 75225 Thomas A. Wilder , Clerk of the District Court of Tarrant County, Texas. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in the City of Fort Worth, this the 21st day of June, 2021. NOTICE: You have been used. You may employ an anomey. If you or your anomey do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 AM, on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this clistion and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. In addition to filing a written answer with the clerk, you may be required to make initial disclosures to the other parties of this sult. These disclosures generally trust be made no later than 30 days after you file your answer with the elerk. Find out more at Texas LawHelp.org. Thomas A. Wilder, Tarrant County District Clerk, 100 N CALHOUN, FORT WORTH TX 76196-0402 OFFICER'S RETURN \*14132595721000004\* \_ within the county of \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_M; and executed at Received this Citation on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_ \_\_, State of \_\_\_ by delivering to the within named (Def.): defendant(s), a true copy of this Citation together with the accompanying copy of PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION , having first endorsed on same the date of delivery. Authorized Person/Constable/Sheriff: \_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_ State of \_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Must be verified if served outside the State of Texas) \_\_\_\_\_ before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ Signed and sworn to by the said \_ to certify which witness my hand and scal of office

County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_

### **CITATION**

Cause No. 141-325957-21

SHANNON MILBURN

VS.

BRAUM'S, INC.

**ISSUED** 

This 21st day of June, 2021

Thomas A. Wilder
Tarrant County District Clerk
100 N CALHOUN
FORT WORTH TX 76196-0402

By

NATALIE THIGPEN Deputy

TIMOTHY R REILLEY

Attorney for: SHANNON MILBURN

Phone No. (214)526-7900

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**DALLAS, TX 75225** 

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#### THE STATE OF TEXAS DISTRICT COURT, TARRANT COUNTY

#### CITATION

Cause No. 141-325957-21

SHANNON MILBURN

BRAUM'S, INC.

TO: BRAUM'S INC

B/9 REG AGT-CT CORPORATION SYSTEM 1999 BRYAN ST STE 900 DALLAS, TX 75201-

You said DEFEMBART are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days after the date of service bereof before the 141st District Court ,100 N CALHOUM, in and for Tarrant County, Texas, at the Courthouse in the City of Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas said PLAINTIPF being

SHANNON HILBURN

Filed in said Court on June 18th, 2021 Against BRAUM'S INC

For suit, said suit being numbered 141-325957-21 the nature of which demand is as shown on said PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION a copy of which accompanies this citation.

#### TIMOTHY R REILLEY

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### CITATION

Cause No. 141-325957-21

SHANNON MILBURN

VS.

BRAUM'S, INC.

**ISSUED** 

This 21st day of June, 2021

Thomas A. Wilder
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County of TARRANT

141st District Court

Case Number: 14132595721

Plaintiff: SHANNON MILBURN

VB.

Defendant: BRAUMS, INC.

For: Timothy R. Reilley REYES BROWNE 8222 Douglas Avenue Suite 400 Dailes, TX 75225



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Subscribed and Sworn publishers me on the day of by the affient who is personally

NOTARY PUBLIC

PATRICIA ANN JOHNSON Notary Public, State of Texas Comm. Expires 07-27-2021 Notary ID 131225137 Donna Jo King PSC-11391; Exp 3/31/2022

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SHANNON MILBURN	§	IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
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Plaintiffs,	§	
	§	
v.	§	TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS
	§	
BRAUM'S, INC.,	§	
	§	
Defendant.	§	141 <sup>ST</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT

#### **DEFENDANT'S ORIGINAL ANSWER**

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

COMES NOW, Braum's, Inc., Defendant in the above-styled and numbered cause, and files this its Original Answer, and would respectfully show the following:

### I. GENERAL DENIAL

1. Pursuant to Tex. R. Civ. P. 92, Defendant Braum's, Inc. ("Defendant") denies generally and materially all allegations contained in Plaintiff Shannon Milburn's ("Plaintiff") Original Petition, and demands strict proof thereof.

### II. AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

- To the extent applicable, Defendant affirmatively states that Plaintiff has failed to 2. mitigate her alleged damages.
- 3. Defendant affirmatively states that to the extent applicable, Plaintiff's damages, if any, were proximately caused by her sole negligence.
- Plaintiff's damages, if any, are limited by the exemplary damages cap found in 4. Chapter 41 of the Texas Civil Practice & Remedies Code and the excessive fines clause of the

Eighth Amendment, Fourteenth Amendment, the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution, and the laws of the State of Texas.

- 5. To the extent applicable and without admitting that Plaintiff suffered any damages, none of Defendant's alleged actions were done knowingly, intentionally, with malice, with specific intent to cause injury, and/or with reckless indifference to Plaintiff's rights.
  - 6. Defendant reserves the right to assert additional affirmative defenses.

### III. PRAYER

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Defendant Braum's, Inc. respectfully prays that upon final hearing hereof, the Court render judgment that Plaintiff Shannon Milburn take nothing from Defendant as a result of this lawsuit and that Defendant be awarded all other relief to which it may be justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Daniel P. Troiano

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned counsel certifies that on July 16, 2021, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was forwarded to all counsel of record in accordance with the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure.

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### List of All Counsel of Record for the Parties in the Action

The following is a complete list of all counsel of record for the parties in the civil action titled Shannon Milburn v. Braum's, Inc., Cause No. 141-325957-21, which was commenced in the 141<sup>st</sup> District Court of Tarrant County, Texas (the "Action") and is being removed to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division:

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### Record of Which Parties Have Requested a Jury Trial in the Action

Plaintiff has demanded a jury trial.

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### Name and Address of Court from which the Action is Removed

The following is the name and address of the State court from which the civil action titled Shannon Milburn v. Braum's, Inc., Cause No. 141-325957-21, and commenced in the 141<sup>st</sup> District Court of Tarrant County, Texas (the "Action"), is being removed to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division:

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